

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

April 24, 2026

Introduced by M. of A. BAILEY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Parks, Arts and Sports Development

AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to giving state residents reservation preference for state parks and recreational facilities

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The parks, recreation and historic preservation law is
2 amended by adding a new section 13.22 to read as follows:

3 § 13.22 State resident reservation preference. Notwithstanding any
4 other provision of law, the commissioner or other state agency having
5 jurisdiction of a state park or recreational facility is authorized and
6 directed to modify the existing system for reserving space in a state
7 park which shall allow individuals to make reservations for state park
8 cabins and campsites, including for RV, tent, boat, and equestrian camp-
9 ing, as follows:

10 (a) For New York residents, reservations up to ten months in advance.

11 (b) For non-state residents, reservations up to nine months in
12 advance.

13 (c) A New York resident who wishes to book a state park cabin or camp-
14 site more than nine months in advance shall provide their valid New York
15 State driver's license or identification card upon check-in at the state
16 park or recreation facility at which they made such reservation.

17 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of May next succeeding
18 the date on which it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the
19 addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary
20 for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized
21 to be made and completed on or before such effective date.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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